

MINUTES

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COUNCIL

November 17, 2004

Members present:

Speaker Doug Mays, Chairperson
President Dave Kerr, Vice-Chairperson
Senator Lana Oleen, Majority Leader
Senator Anthony Hensley, Minority Leader
Representative Clay Aurand, Majority Leader
Representative John Ballou, Speaker Pro Tem
Representative Dennis McKinney, Minority Leader

The meeting was called to order by Speaker Mays at 11:15 a.m. in Room 123-S, State Capitol.

CONSENT AGENDA

Senator Oleen moved that the minutes of the October 13, 2004, meeting be approved. Representative Aurand seconded the motion and the motion carried. President Kerr moved that prices charged for the 2005 edition of the Summary of Legislation and Legislative Highlights be fixed at the amounts of publications pricing recommended by Mr. Russell in a memorandum to the Council. Representative Ballou seconded the motion and the motion carried.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

President Kerr presented the report of the Subcommittee on Administration to the Council. The subcommittee recommended that two members from each house, one from each party, be authorized to attend the National Council of State Legislators from Gaming States winter meeting in Duck Key, FL, January 14-16, 2005; that the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the majority leaders of the House and Senate and the minority leaders of the House and Senate be authorized to attend the NCSL Leader Round Table meeting in Washington, D.C., March 10-12, 2005; that the Vice-President of the Senate and the members of the Legislative Coordinating Council be approved to attend the NCSL Leader-to-Leader meeting in Washington, D.C., September 10-13, 2005; that delegates or the alternates of delegates unable to attend be authorized to attend the NCSL Standing Committees Spring Forum in Washington, D.C., April 13-16, 2005; that Kansas members or their alternates on committees of the

National Conference of State Legislatures be authorized to attend the annual meeting of the National Conference of State Legislatures in Seattle, WA, August 16-20, 2005; that committee members and task force members of the Council of State Governments be authorized to attend such meetings during 2005; that designated members of the House of Representatives and the Senate be authorized to participate in the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) during 2005; that Senator Emler be authorized to participate on the NCSL Justice Technology Advisory Group at the NCSL meeting in Savannah, GA, December 8-10, 2004, and receive compensation and expenses subject to LCC policy not otherwise paid by NCSL; that prices of K.S.A. volumes be fixed in accordance with the memorandum provided by the Revisor of Statutes, including \$45 for a set of supplements and \$8 for the per volume price of supplement volumes; that persons selected to a Legislative Coordinating Council position who are not currently holding such a position in the Senate or House of Representatives be authorized office space and authority to employ staff from general legislative appropriations for the purpose of organization in preparation for the next regular session of the legislature; that the Legislative Educational Planning Committee be authorized one additional meeting day; and that the Joint Committee on Children's Issues be authorized two additional meeting days. President Kerr moved that the report of the Subcommittee on Administration be approved. Senator Hensley seconded the motion and the motion carried.

CAPITOL RESTORATION COMMISSION REPORT

Mr. Conroy presented a report to the Council on the recommendations of the Commission. Mr. Conroy reported that the Commission reached consensus that an additional access to the north vault area should be added in the Legislative Research Department (KLRD) suite. In addition, the Commission reached consensus that access cost estimates should be prepared and provided to the Commission for connecting the south vault area of the KLRD suite to the main portion of the Department's suite. The Commission also agreed that the plan for moving house members to the Docking State Office Building when the west wing is closed should be revised in such a way to minimize the number of members' offices that are moved out of the Statehouse and that in light of the threat of increased inflation, the Commission expressed a desire to increase monitoring of project expenditures. To facilitate this increased monitoring, the Commission requested an early report regarding results of the next series of bids which are due next week. Speaker Mays moved to approve and accept the report of the Capitol Restoration Commission. Representative Aurand seconded the motion and the motion carried.

LARRY ISAAK, PRESIDENT, MIDWESTERN HIGHER EDUCATION COMPACT

Mr. Isaak spoke to the Council about the benefits and activities of the Midwestern Higher Education Compact. Mr. Isaak explained that the purpose of the Compact is to have states work together to achieve educational progress. The annual meeting of the Midwestern Higher Education Commission is co-hosted by Kansas and Missouri this year. Speaker Mays noted that Senator Oleen has been chairperson of the Commission for the last two years and congratulated Senator Oleen on this honor. Speaker Mays thanked Mr. Isaak for his presentation.

OTHER MATTERS

Prior to the November meeting members of the Council received Policy 1 travel authorizations from President Kerr, a letter from Representative Decker, Chairperson of the Legislative Educational Planning Committee, memoranda from Mr. Russell on travel approvals and publications pricing, a memorandum from Mr. Furse on K.S.A. prices, a Policy 2 report on a member of the Revisor's Office staff with outside employment and the quarterly reports of the director of purchases. At the meeting members of the Council received a Policy 2 report on a member of the Legislative Research Department's staff with outside employment.

The next meeting of the Council is to be announced at a later date.

The meeting of the Council was adjourned by Speaker Mays.

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Approved by

Speaker Doug Mays, Chairperson